

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 404, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sweeney, Members Sorensen, Berglund, Bass, Renner, Gordon, Hoselton and Segobiano

Members Absent: Member Bostic

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator

Department Heads/
Elected Officials
Present: None

Others Present: None

Chairman Sweeney presented the minutes from the August 10, 2004 Executive Committee meeting for approval.

Motion by Hoselton/Renner to approve and place on file the minutes of the August 10, 2004 meeting.
Motion carried

Chairman Sweeney presented two reappointments, one resignation and three appointments for which the Committee's advice and consent is sought.

Motion by Berglund/Bass to approve the reappointments, resignation and appointments as recommended by the Chairman.
Motion carried.

Mr. George Gordon, Vice Chairman, Pollution Control Site Hearing Committee, presented one item for information, namely a request for approval of a Host County Agreement with American Disposal Services of Illinois, Inc. He reported that this is an item to be presented to the Board and is related to the proposed expansion of the existing landfill. Mr. Hoselton asked if \$1.27 is the current maximum that can be charged. Mr. Gordon replied that it is not. The proposed Host Agreement sets the host fee to be paid by American Disposal at \$2.54 per ton. He further noted that the \$1.27 tipping fee goes into the Solid Waste Management Fund. The \$2.54 host fee would go into the General Fund, which is

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a different arrangement on how the fee is handled. The Board will decide how much of the host fee to allocate back to the Solid Waste Management Fund. Mr. Segobiano indicated that it was a matter of discussion at the Committee meeting and he will discuss it at the Board meeting.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Gordon. Hearing none, he recognized Mr. Bass to present the Transportation Committee report.

Mr. Duffy Bass, Chairman, Transportation Committee, reported that the Transportation Committee had no items for action. He noted that the Transportation Committee has been doing routine bid-letting for different projects in the County and Townships. He indicated there is a continuing dialogue between the City of Bloomington and McLean County regarding jurisdictional transfers, but a summation has not been reached at this time. Mr. Zeunik explained that this item will be presented to the Transportation Committee in October. He noted that the City Engineer and City Manager have signed off on all of the proposed transfers.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Bass. Hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. Matt Sorensen, Chairman, Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee had no items for action. He indicated that the Committee should be proud of the Information Services personnel for finding in-house alternatives to purchasing \$40,000 worth of equipment for the Recorder's Office. They were able to find other options that are projected to cost about \$1,000 and will achieve the same results.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Sorensen. Hearing none, he asked Mr. Renner to present the Justice Committee Report.

Mr. Tari Renner, Chairman, Justice Committee noted that the Justice Committee brings three items for action to the Executive Committee. The first is a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2004 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, Homeland Security Fund XXXX, Sheriff's Department 0029.

Motion by Renner/Hoselton to recommend approval of the Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2004 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, Homeland Security Fund XXXX, Sheriff's Department 0029.

Mr. Sorensen asked for the purpose of the "XXXX" designation. Mr. Zeunik explained that the County Auditor and County Treasurer have not, as yet, assigned a fund number. Because of the nature of this grant and the fact that the Sheriff is coordinating it for multiple jurisdictions in two counties, it will be established as a separate special revenue fund for all tracking and auditing purposes. Mr. Segobiano asked if this means that the County will act as a conduit for other counties. Mr. Zeunik confirmed that is the case. He explained that the Sheriff is the recipient of the grant monies for Homeland Security Region 11, which is Livingston and McLean counties. Mr. Zeunik indicated that a number will be assigned to the Ordinance by the Board meeting date.

Motion carried.

Mr. Renner presented the next two requests together. The first is a request for approval of a contract between the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services and McLean County for the Assistant State's Attorney assigned to the Children's Advocacy Center/Child Protection Network from the State's Attorneys Office. The second is the request for approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Children and Family Services and McLean County from the State's Attorneys Office.

Motion by Renner/Berglund to recommend approval of the Contract between the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services and McLean County – State's Attorneys Office, and to recommend approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Children and Family Services and McLean County – State's Attorneys Office.

Motion carried.

Mr. Renner noted that the Justice Committee has three items to be presented to the Board on September 21.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Renner. Hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman, Land Use and Development Committee, presented one item for action to the Executive Committee, namely a request for approval of a Grant in the amount of \$4,200 to provide electronic recycling for Solid Waste Management.

Motion by Gordon/Renner to approve the Grant in the amount of \$4,200 to provide Electronic Recycling – Solid Waste Management.
Motion carried.

Mr. Gordon noted that the Land Use and Development Committee will have one item to be presented to the Board.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Gordon. Hearing none, Chairman Sweeney asked Mr. John Zeunik to present the items as submitted by the Property Committee.

Mr. Zeunik presented two items for action to the Executive Committee. He explained that both are emergency appropriations and relate to the sale of the McBarnes Building. The first is an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance, wherein the proceeds from the sale of the McBarnes Building, along with a small amount from the County's General Fund, will be appropriated to cover the cost associated with the dome renovation project at the old Courthouse. Mr. Zeunik noted that, in April, the County Board approved a Resolution providing for the financing to complete the entire project for the Courthouse dome. Subsequently, the Board approved an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Public Building Commission (hereinafter referred to as PBC), wherein the PBC agreed to provide a no-interest loan to the County and the County agreed to forward to the PBC the proceeds from the sale of the McBarnes Building of \$226,000.

Motion by Berglund/Sorensen to recommend approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the Fiscal year 2004 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance – McBarnes Building Capital Lease Fund 0350 – Intergovernmental Agreement with PBC.
Motion carried.

Mr. Zeunik presented the second action item, noting that it is an Emergency Appropriation to retire the outstanding Receivable that is due to the County's General Fund. He reminded the Committee that, in the 1970's, McLean County accepted title to the McBarnes Building from the Veterans and agreed to renovate the building. At that time, the County anticipated that, over the next 30 years, the rent receipts from the tenants would pay for the renovation cost.

When the building was sold, there was an outstanding Receivable of \$100,000 still due to the General Fund. This Emergency Appropriation would retire that Receivable and direct the County Treasurer and County Auditor to make the necessary adjustments in the Financial Statements.

Motion by Bass/Gordon to recommend approval of the Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2004 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance – McBarnes Building Capital Lease Fund 0350 – Outstanding Receivable due to General Fund 0001.

Chairman Sweeney asked if there was any discussion regarding this request. Mr. Sorensen asked for clarification of the disposition of the funds remaining after payment of the old Courthouse dome project and paying off the accounts receivable to the General Fund. Mr. Zeunik explained that the balance will, in effect, wipe out the deficit, which has existed in the McBarnes Building Capital Lease Fund over time. He further explained that the deficit is due to the loss of the major tenant (the Historical Society) and due to the other deficits that accumulated as a result of the County having to provide maintenance of the building and not having sufficient dollars. The balance that is left after taking care of the \$100,009.63 Receivable and the \$226,000 due to the PBC is \$98,893.52, which will be used to retire the deficit in that fund. At year-end, the outside auditors will adjust the fund so that it will close out with no cash-no deficit. At that point, the Board can make the decision to eliminate the fund or carry it for historical purposes.

Motion carried.

Mr. Zeunik reported that one item will be presented to the Board. The Nursing Home has dollars appropriated in its capital budget to repave the Nursing Home parking lot. Bids were received, with the assistance of the McLean County Highway Department, and McLean County Asphalt submitted the low bid. The Nursing Home is recommending the award to McLean County Asphalt. Mr. Zeunik noted that the project will begin the day after the County Board awards the bid to them and they expect to be finished before the end of October.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any other questions for Mr. Zeunik. Hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, noted that he had no items to bring to the Executive Committee.

Chairman Sweeney asked if the Committee had any questions for Mr. Zeunik.

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Mr. Bass asked when the project at the old Courthouse would be completed. Mr. Zeunik indicated it would be completed October 31, 2004.

Mr. Renner asked for an update on the move into the Government Center. Mr. Zeunik reported that everyone has moved into the building. He noted that there have been a few glitches, particularly balancing the air conditioning. The contractors have been adjusting the air flow and it seems to be improving. He noted that the City Offices are pleased with their space, and City and County offices are pleased with the available public parking across the street. Mr. Zeunik warned that the two-hour parking restriction is being monitored closely by the City of Bloomington.

Chairman Sweeney reported that there will be an Open House for the Government Center in October. The Open House will probably be scheduled on a Sunday afternoon. He also noted that there will be two signs, one on the east side and one on the south side, indicating that it is the Government Center. The signs will read "Government Center," with McLean County and the City of Bloomington listed below.

Chairman Sweeney presented the August 31, 2004 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The fund total for the month is \$294,476.60.

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Motion by Renner/Gordon to approve the Executive Committee bills for August 31, 2004 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor.
Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary